



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held March 3, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“Beginning on Sunday, March 7 through 14, 2004, the Palms Residential Care Facility will celebrate ‘The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS.’ The Palms will partner with Holman United Methodist, West Angels Church of God in Christ, Holy Trinity of Long Beach and a number of other churches all over Southern California.

“Since 1989, The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS has been an important catalyst for educating, empowering and mobilizing churches to provide AIDS education to their congregations and communities. The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS is among the largest HIV/AIDS awareness programs targeting African communities.

“Kevin Pickett and the Palms Residential Care Facility invites all congregations who have not yet joined this crusade for HIV/AIDS education, prevention, service and compassion to join them. The worldwide AIDS pandemic continues to disproportionately affect African peoples around the country and around the world. In the United States, AIDS is the leading cause of death for African-Americans ages 25-44 and currently AIDS is also the leading cause of death in many African countries. In Kenya, life expectancy has dropped due to AIDS from 63 to 45 years and is leaving orphaned children to fend for themselves in an environment increasingly empty of healthy adults.”

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board proclaimed March 7 through 14, 2004 as "The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS" and joined in the celebration of the Palms Residential Care Facility and other congregations in the County to bring HIV/AIDS awareness to African-American communities. In addition, the Board encouraged all citizens to participate in the educational week of events.

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Letter sent to:

- Contact, Palms Residential Care Facility